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Practitioner's Docket No. MPI98-093P2RCP3DV1M

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In re application of: Curtis, Rory A.J.
Application No.: 09/587,111 Group No.: 1646
Filed: June 2, 2000 Examiner: Ulm, J. D.
For: NOVEL MEMBERS OF THE CAPSAICIN/VANILLOID RECEPTOR FAMILY
OF PROTEINS AND USES THEREOF

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted (*check appropriate item(s) below*):

- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
- ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
☐ Prior to payment of issue fee
☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under Section 1.313 has been granted

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- iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
- iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145
or ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☐ An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98)
☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
- ☒ An Amendment and Remarks (12 pages)
- ☐ New arguments
- ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
- ☒ Other: Declaration Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.131 including Exhibits A-D (31 pages)

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than a small entity \$750.00
Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$750.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	14	Minus	50	=	0	\$18.00	= \$0.00
Indep.	6	Minus	6	=	0	\$84.00	= \$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims			0			\$280.00	= \$0.00
						Total Addit. Fee	\$0.00

Total additional fee for claims required \$0.00

(c) ☒ No additional fee is required.

OR

(d) ☐ Total additional fee required is \$0.00

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) apply.

(a) ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for small entity	Fee for other than small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 55.00	\$ 110.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 205.00	\$ 410.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 465.00	\$ 930.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 725.00	\$1,450.00
	Fee	<u>\$410.00</u>

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☒ An extension for 1 month has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$110.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$300.00

OR

(b) ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	<u>\$750.00</u>
Fee(s) for additional claims (if any) (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	<u>\$0.00</u>
Extension of time fee (if any) (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	<u>\$300.00</u>
Total Fee(s) Due:	<u>\$1050.00</u>

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

<input type="checkbox"/> Check is attached for the sum of	<u> </u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge Account <u>501668</u> the sum of	<u>\$1050.00</u>
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☒ Account 501668

☐ Credit Card (Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) attached.)

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

☒ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

☐ fewer than the inventors previously designated and a statement accompanies this request for the deletion of the name or names of the person or persons who are not inventors of the invention now being claimed.

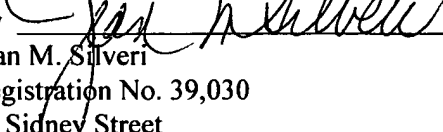
☐ a person not named previously as an inventor and a petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.48 is/has separately:

☐ being filed

☐ been filed

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